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Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, June 16, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. 1331 Connecticut Avenue. Friday, June 16th 1899. My dear Alec:

I haven't written you very often lately, and am sorry, but I don't get any letters to answer.

Mr. and Mrs. Grosvenor are extremely anxious to have us, that is you and me, as well as the children, make them a visit. Amherst is but a short distance, half an hours drive from Northampton. I have written them that we would come if you were not too tired for a day or two after the Northampton meeting. I really think we ought to, all things considered, and I should really like to go for a day or two if you were with me.

Elsie leaves tomorrow morning for New York and on Monday she meets the Aldrich twins and goes on to Boston with them. Daisy will meet them in Boston. Gilbert makes his way here. Every one likes him, and I am very glad that Elsie won't be here any longer. At present she sees him every day and sometimes twice a day. I have not seen her myself for two days now. One day she went out rowing on the river and staid in town, the next she was out shopping all the morning, out in the cars with Gilbert in the afternoon, and in the evening she dined out. I expect her home this evening. I think Mamma has about finished her account of Papa. It is like everything she writes, very pretty.

I hope you like living in the house-boat. I will go there with you for a few days on our return as the children won't come up with us. Suppose we go to housekeeping in the house-boat, and the children in the cottage with the "Ben". It might be good 2 practice for Elsie!

With much love, Yours ever, Friday, June 16th.